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To whom it concerns,

I am writing as a resident of Grimes county who works in Brazos county to express my strong opposition to the propoal of allowing our local aquifer levels to drop.

Lowering the drawdown limits of our shared groundwater supply poses severe, irreversible risks to our community's water security, economic stability, and environment. Allowing the aquifer to drop threatens our region by impacting private and municipal wells. Dropping water tables will force homeowners and local utilities to drill deeper, costing taxpayers and families thousands of dollars in emergency well lowering. Lowering water levels increases the risk of contamination and saltwater intrusion that can permanently ruin the aquifer. Our local springs, creeks, and ecosystems depend on aquifer discharge. Reducing these levels will devastate local wildlife and natural habitats.

Groundwater is a finite resource that requires strict stewardship, not relaxed protections for short-term gain. I urge you resist this proposal and instead champion policies that protect our water supply through conservation and sustainable management.

Thank you,

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